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C O N F I D E N T I A L BANGKOK 16700

EO 11652: GDS  
TAGS: ASEAN, TH, EFIN  
SUBJ: US-ASEAN MINISTERIAL MEETING - THAILAND FONMIN VIEWS

1. DURING AMB'S FAREWELL ON FONMIN UPPADIT, HE RAISED  
SUBJECT OF US ASEAN MINISTERIAL MEETING. UPPADIT NOTED THAT  
ASEAN DECISION WOULD BE MADE DURING JUNE 14-16 PATTAYA MEET-  
ING AND CONVEYED IMMEDIATELY TO THE USG.

2. AS IN THE PAST UPPADIT TOOK CAUTIOUS, MILDLY NEGATIVE VIEW  
WITH REGARD TO TIMING OF MEETING, NOTING HIS OWN EARLIER  
INTEREST IN SCHEDULING SESSION DURING UNGA AND LIKELIHOOD  
MEETING WOULD HAVE NO CONCRETE RESULTS. AMB POINTED OUT SIG-  
NIFICANT PUBLIC AFFAIRS ADVANTAGES ACCRUING TO MEETING IN EARLY  
AUGUST AND OUR HOPE THAT SUCH A MEETING WOULD FOCUS HIGH LEVEL  
US CONGRESSIONAL AND BUSINESS ATTENTION ON ASEAN AND ITS  
POTENTIAL. IN THAT CONTEXT HE POINTED OUT THAT ANY MINISTERIAL  
MEETING DURING UNGA WOULD BE LOST DURING MAJOR ACTIVITIES  
SURROUNDING UNGA AND OTHER BILATERAL MEETINGS INVOLVING THE  
US. WHILE NOT CONVINCED UPPADIT DID SEEM RESIGNED TO ACCEPTANCE  
OF AUG 3-4 DATES.

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3. ON QUESTION OF MINISTERIAL REPRESENTATION, UPPADIT COMMENTED  
AGAIN ON DIFFICULTY OF GATHERING ALL FORNMINISTERS AT ONE TIME  
IN AUG. AMB TOOK OCCASION TO POINT OUT THAT WE DID NOT ENVISION  
MEETING SOLELY INVOLVING FORNMINISTERS. IT IS OUR UNDERSTAND-  
ING THAT SOME OF THE OTHER PARTICIPANTS MIGHT BE SENDING  
SENIOR ECONOMIC MINISTERS GIVEN FACT THAT SO MUCH OF SUBSTANCE

OF US-ASEAN DIALOGUE RELATES TO ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL MATTERS.

4. COMMENT: ALTHOUGH UPPADIT CLEARLY REMAINS UNCONVINCED OF  
UTILITY OF US-ASEAN WASHINGTON MINISTERIAL MEETING, HE GAVE  
IMPRESSION THAT HE IS IN FACT RESIGNED TO GOING AHEAD WITH  
MINISTERIAL IN AUG. HE ALSO APPEARED TO BE PONDERING THE  
POSSIBILITY OF A MINISTER OTHER THAN HIMSELF ATTENDING.  
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